

# Education Issues Top State Agenda

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To say that the educational pot will be boiling when the Legislature convenes in January is an understatement. It's boiling already and hard-ly has simmered down since we adjourned last summer.

Although problems revolving around the general heading of public education in California are just one of the "hot" categories facing us, along with such major "pots" as revenue and taxes, welfare programs, and continued development of natural resources, it is evident that dozens, perhaps hundreds, of bills concerning state policies and financial support of our school system will be dropped into the hopper. The Superintendent of Public Instruction will offer new measures, as will the California Teachers Association, the California Association of School Administrators, the California School Boards Association, and many other groups interested in one phase or another of education.

It's a fairly safe guess that nearly every proposal will cost more money.

BASED ON legislative interim committee hearings, news stories, speeches by educators and other sources, here are some of the proposals likely to turn up within the next month or two:

1. Unlimited taxing authority for school districts.
2. Changes in the Fisher

## County Will Now Service Iron Lungs

At Supervisor Kenneth Hahn's suggestion, trained County personnel will service iron lung equipment for patients in Los Angeles County not included in the present program where Rancho Los Amigos Hospital personnel render service for persons financially unable to pay.

In a motion approved by the Board of Supervisors, Hahn noted the County was able to provide this service and would establish a formula to bill the citizens who can afford to pay for it.

Hahn pointed out the agency of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis which formerly serviced equipment for iron lung patients has moved to Denver, Colo.

"The County has trained personnel and equipment and should be able to render this life-saving service to the citizens who have contracted infantile paralysis and are in iron lungs," the Supervisor said.

"Also, County equipment should be immediately dispatched in case of any emergency involving iron lungs," he added.

## Area Man To Teach Institute

Otto E. Mason, supervisor of maintenance and operations for the Torrance schools, will be the instructor for a series of institutes on custodial training.

The institutes, sponsored by the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools Building Maintenance Section, will be held weekly at Torrance High School, 2200 W. Carson St.

Sessions will be held on Saturdays, beginning Jan. 7 and continuing through April 22, from 9 a.m. until noon. Custodial personnel from throughout the county are expected to participate.

## Defense Sirens To Wail Friday

Los Angeles County and City civil defense sirens will be sounded throughout the county at 10 a.m., Friday, in the customary alert-systems test held on the last Friday of each month, Sheriff Peter J. Pitechess has announced.

As usual, the warning systems will be sounded in a steady wail for two minutes. After 30 seconds of silence the test will end with an undulating tone being sounded for one minute.

Act, which tightened credentialing requirements.

3. More state support to local districts to bring the level up to approximately 50 per cent, so as to relieve some of the present burden on property taxpayers.

4. Higher retirement benefits for teachers.
5. More effective action to reduce class sizes.
6. Greater independence for and increased state support of junior colleges.
7. Election of the State

Board of Education and appointment of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, reversing present procedures.

8. Changes in present requirements for daily physical education.

9. Modification of the Unruh school unification law to eliminate or ease the provision calling for repeated elections every two years until the voters in a local area approve unification.

10. New or expanded remedial and special subject programs.

ALL THESE are both far-reaching and important; that most of these proposals are also highly controversial is quite evident in the fact that

they have been debated intensively for a long time already. Add to these factors the change in administration and rather sweeping changes in the Legislature's makeup because of reapportionment as well as the November voting tide.

The outcome is anybody's guess, but now that the voters have approved annual sessions, the Legislature should be able to accomplish more than heretofore.

With California's population, especially its school population, continuing to grow rapidly, all of us in state government must face up to the problems of financing and guiding our public school system. It is, by and large, an excellent system now, but it isn't good enough for the nation's No. 1 state and it must not be allowed to deteriorate for lack of intelligent effort in the Legislature.

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**5 8-oz. pies \$1.00**

**Celery**

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Tropicana 64-oz. Size **69¢**

32-oz. Size **39¢**

**Skippy Peanut Butter**

18-oz. jar

**58¢ why pay 69¢**

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**Carrots**

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**Dove Liquid Detergent**

22-oz. bottle

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